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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: David G. Lamphere, Thomas D. Headley

Application No.: 09/733,624

Group No.: 1723

Filed: December 8, 2000

Examiner: Sorkin, D.

For: Shaped Diaphragm for a Centrifuge System Rotor

Commissioner for Patents

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

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4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

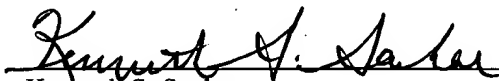
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INDEP.	3	— 4	= 0	x	\$ 86.00	= \$	0.00
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+	\$ 0.00	= \$	0.00
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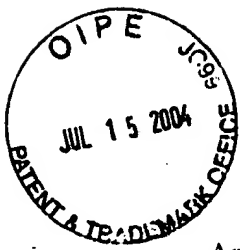
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RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the office action of April 13, 2004, in the above identified patent application, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the patent application pursuant to following amendments and discussion.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.